BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2006-218-W - ORDER NO. 2006-678

NOVEMBER 13, 2006

IN RE:	Application of AAA Utilities, Inc. for an)	ORDER APPROVING
	Extension of Water Service Area to Ridge)	EXTENSION OF
	Pointe Subdivision Located in Lexington)	SERVICE AREA AND
	County)	ESTABLISHING RATES
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This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Petition of AAA Utilities, Inc. (AAA or the Company) for permission to extend its water service area to Ridge Pointe Subdivision, located in Lexington County on Fish Hatchery Road. In addition, the Company requests establishment of the following rates for the Ridge Pointe Subdivision: \$7.50 base rate per month, \$2.40 per 1000 gallons of water usage and a \$20.00 cut on fee.

Pursuant to the instructions of the Commission's Docketing Department, the Company published a Notice of Filing in a newspaper of general circulation in the area sought to be served. AAA furnished proof of publication. No Protests or Petitions to Intervene were filed in this matter.

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) filed a letter stating that it had reviewed the request, and that it did not intend to oppose it. In fact, ORS stated that it would recommend to this Commission that we grant the request for expansion, unless circumstances changed.

Accordingly, the matter is before us for final disposition. We have examined the Company's submissions in this matter, and are satisfied that the Company has met the standards of 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-704 (Supp. 2005), and that the requisite Certificate for the expansion should be granted. The Commission's consideration of this matter in its regularly scheduled meeting of November 8, 2006 shall be the "due hearing" required by the regulation. There is no opposition to the Company's request.

Because of this reasoning, we hereby grant the Petition of AAA Utilities, Inc. to expand its water service area to Ridge Pointe Subdivision. In addition, we approve establishment of the following rates for that area: \$7.50 base rate per month, \$2.40 per 1000 gallons of water usage and a \$20.00 cut on fee.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

C. Robert Moseley

C. Robert Moseley, Vice-Chairman

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